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THE college requirements for reading for admission in 1906, 1907, and 1908 include Tennyson's three idylls, "Gareth and Lynette," Lancelot and Elaine," and the "Passing of Arthur." These are collected, with an Introductory Sketch and Notes, in a new issue of the "Riverside Literature" series. The book contains a fac-simile page from a copy of the first edition of Mallory's *Morte d'Arthur*, printed by Caxton in 1485, and a portrait of Tennyson.

POINTING to the machine of which he was the proud and happy inventor, the celebrated psychologist evinced by a sigh the deepest sense of satisfaction.

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"But we ask innocently—for it was evident from the start that we were mere tyros, and hadn't the faintest idea of the extreme value of science—what do you gain thereby?"

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We are informed that, as a result of a postcard plebiscite among all the fourth-form boys in the kingdom, it has been decided to hold a grand national inquest into the utility of Latin grammar. The inquest will be held in private, and premature discussion by Headmasters is urgently deprecated; but it is hoped that the results will be laid before the parents before the middle of September. The head boy of Harrow has meantime expressed his opinion that the public-school system is irrevocably downed unless this obsolete fetish is immediately dethroned.—*Punch*.

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